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Charges Filed Against Man that Barricaded Himself at Woodland Hills Veterans Hall

A Reseda man was charged today with assaulting the commander-in-chief of the Disabled Americans Veterans Lodge in Woodland Hills, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Janet Fox said Jacob Matthew Zimmerman (dob 12/24/61) faces one felony count each of assault with a deadly weapon, a shotgun, criminal threats, and possession of a firearm by a felon with three priors in case LAO77629.

The three priors listed on the complaint are a 1984 robbery conviction and a 2004 conviction for discharging a firearm with gross negligence and inflicting corporal injury on a spouse or cohabitant.

Zimmerman is due in court this afternoon for an arraignment in Department 100 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Van Nuys Branch. His bail is more than \$1-million.

The prosecutor said on April 25 the defendant, upset that he had been denied future membership at the Disabled Americans Veterans Lodge, assaulted the victim with a shotgun. After the victim managed to get away, Zimmerman barricaded himself in the building. An LAPD SWAT team was able to detain him after a seven-hour standoff.

If convicted as charged, Zimmerman faces a maximum sentence of life in state prison.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Topanga Station.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.